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**Crowley's Zeutschel Scanners Receive Gold, Silver in
2015 Inaugural Modern Library Awards from Library Resources Group**

Frederick, Md. – The Crowley Company, a worldwide leader in digital and analog scanning and capture solutions and services, is pleased to announce it has received gold and silver awards from the LibraryWorks, Inc. 2015 inaugural **Modern Library Awards (MLA's)**. The MLA's were created to recognize the top products in the library industry in a truly unbiased format. Products were submitted in the fall via a simple application and were then posted to a private site with an enhanced description and attendant materials. These products were batched into small groups and sent to the LibraryWorks database of more than 80,000 librarians at public, K-12, academic and special libraries. Only customers who had experience with these products in their facilities were permitted to judge the products, lending toward an unbiased score.

Each judge scored the product on a numeric basis from 1-10, with 10 high. Only products scoring above 6.5 were issued awards based on a scoring level.

“Crowley is a longtime provider of archival and patron scanning systems and services to the library industry,” states Christopher Crowley, company president. “The MLAs gave us an ideal opportunity to feature scanners that fit each category. The Zeutschel zeta, winner of a gold MLA, is fast becoming a staple in modern libraries. Our silver winner, the OS 14000, is a high-end, high-volume archival scanner used by librarians and archivists to preserve and share the special collections found in academic and institutional libraries.”



First released in 2011, the [Zeutschel zeta](#) is a walk-up scanner for students, researchers, staff and every day patrons. The zeta is often a replacement for outdated copiers, bringing today's technology into hundreds of U.S. and international libraries. Easy to use, the zeta saves money on consumables like paper and ink, reduces staff time (no paper jams; intuitive

operation) and allows patrons to use the same information technology in the library that they use at home (email, cloud, USB and more). View the most recent zeta video [here](#).





The [Zeutschel OS 14000](#) was originally engineered to meet a U.S. National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) request for proposal. At the time, a scanner which met both new NARA guidelines and the tenets of the proposal did not exist. At Crowley's urging, Zeutschel designed the 14000-series to meet rigid standards for color-quality output from a line-scan camera with unheralded image quality and speed. Today, the next generation of OS 14000 scanners has found its way into libraries that host special collections and which seek to both preserve the original materials electronically and to give greater access to these materials via the internet. The OS 14000 is particularly gentle on bound and older materials and offers superior image quality for archival preservation. To see it in action, watch the [video](#).

Jennifer Newman, LibraryWorks associate publisher and MLA program manager said, "I was thrilled with The Crowley Company's excellent performance in the 2015 Modern Library Awards: Gold for their impressive Zeutshel Zeta scanner and silver for the equally impressive Zeutschel OS140000 overhead scanner. But I wasn't surprised; Crowley is a huge name in archival preservation and records management. They do it all from manufacturing, distribution and service."

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About The Crowley Company

[The Crowley Company](#) is a world leader in digital and analog film technologies and provides an extensive number of digital document and film [conversion services](#) to the library, academic, publishing, commercial, government and archive sectors. The company manufactures, distributes and services high-speed microfilm, microfiche, aperture card, book and document scanners, microfilm duplicators, film processors and micrographics equipment. Manufactured brands include [Mekel Technology](#), [Wicks and Wilson](#), [HF Processors](#) and [Extek Microsystems](#).

About the LibraryWorks, Inc.

LibraryWorks, Inc. helps administrators to make informed decisions about library technology, automation and software, collection development and management, facilities and furnishings, staffing, purchasing, and other areas that drive effective strategic planning and day-to-day operations. The LibraryWorks family of resources can help to identify best practices, monitor trends, evaluate new products and services, apply for grants and funding, post or find a job and even enjoy some library humor.

About the Modern Library Awards program

Modern Library Awards (MLAs) is a product-review program designed to recognize elite products in the market which can help library management personnel enhance the quality-of-experience for the library user and increase the performance of their library systems.

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